

**§ 556.27 Printing and copying services.**

POs may obtain printing or copying services from Government printing plants on a reimbursable basis according to the provisions of § 556.22(c).

**§ 556.28 Postal support.**

POs will not use appropriated fund postage or the Military Postal Service (MPS) except as shown in table D-1. Questions regarding postal support to POs will be directed to HQDA (MPSA-ZA), ALEX VA 22331-0600.

TABLE D-1.—USE OF APF POSTAGE AND MPS

	AFP	MPS
Type 1—federally sanctioned:		
Organizations.		
Banks .....	No <sup>1</sup> .....	Yes. <sup>2</sup>
Credit unions .....	No .....	Yes. <sup>2</sup>
Labor organizations .....	No .....	Yes. <sup>3</sup>
Association of Managers and Supervisors.	No .....	Yes. <sup>3</sup>
United Service Organization .....	No .....	Yes. <sup>4</sup>
Red Cross .....	No .....	Yes. <sup>4</sup>
United Seamen's Service .....	No .....	Yes. <sup>3</sup>
DOD Component relief/aid organizations.	Yes <sup>5</sup> .....	Yes.
Civil Air Patrol .....	Yes <sup>6</sup> .....	N/A.
Youth organizations .....	No .....	Yes.
Other type 1 .....	No .....	Yes. <sup>3</sup>
Type 2—affiliated .....	No .....	Yes. <sup>3</sup>
Type 3—-independent:		
All type 3 POs .....	No .....	Yes. <sup>3</sup>

## NOTES:

1. Only when using APF postage of the overseas U.S. Army Central Finance and Accounting Office for currency shipments to CONUS. Shipments within the overseas theater must include the words "DOD Official Intra-theater Mail" where the postage normally would be placed.

2. Use of MPS is authorized outside CONUS only where there is no U.S. Postal Service (USPS). Use will be limited to transactions arising from official operations for the benefit of the military installations and their personnel. All such mail entered into the MPS will bear proper postage.

3. MPS privileges are authorized outside CONUS only as follows: Where there is no USPS; if existing MPS facilities and personnel of the command permit; if the major overseas commander determines, and the MPS agency concurs, that local civil postal service is inadequate; and if the host government does not object.

4. Use of MPS is authorized outside CONUS only where there is no USPS.

5. When a U.S. Army organization is acting on behalf of these organizations.

6. Use of USAF indicia authorized per HQ USAF (AF/DAAC(S)).

**§ 556.29 Other services.**

POs may not use installation auditing, data processing, financial management, legal, purchasing, or other similar services. POs must obtain such support at their own expense, except in those instances when necessary for the installation commanders to perform their oversight responsibilities.

**§ 556.30 Type 2 POs operating overseas.**

Limited logistical support specified in AR 700-32 may be provided, on a reimbursable basis, to type 2 POs that are chartered to provide programs relating to the religious, social, welfare, and educational needs of active duty military personnel and their family members.

(a) Subject to Status of Forces or other country-to-country agreements, such support may include:

(1) Transportation services on a reimbursable basis.

(2) Commissary and exchange privileges.

(3) Armed forces postal services overseas (DODD 4525.6).

(4) Hospitalization, medical, and dental care on a reimbursable and space available basis, as determined by the medical treatment facility commander.

(5) Recreational facilities.

(6) Dependents' schools on a reimbursable and space-available basis.

(7) Utilities for facilities used in providing services to armed services personnel.

(8) Military banking facilities (MBFS) operated under DOD contracts.

(b) Before additional support is provided, the following is required:

(1) Local chapters in overseas areas must submit an application to the installation or community commander where they have been given permission to operate. The application will state specific support elements desired with reasons why the PO considers such support to be appropriate. If accepted, the local commander will endorse and forward the application to the MACOM.

(2) The endorsement will cite the services, programs, and activities being received from the PO that warrant special consideration for the PO; that the additional support authorized can be provided; and an estimate of the additional or nonroutine costs for providing that support.

(3) Application will be processed through command channels to CFSC-AE-P and will be evaluated at each level. If appropriate, HQDA will forward the application to the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD), which

may enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the local PO's national headquarters.

(4) When finalized, the MOU will detail the maximum level of support to be extended to all of the affiliated chapters, regardless of overseas locations. Support will not be provided until HQDA notification of approval and implementing instructions are provided to MACOMs concerned.

### Subpart E—Participation in Activities of Private Organizations (Associations)

#### § 556.31 Scope.

(a) This chapter specifies policy for official participation by DA agencies, commands, and personnel in the activities of private organizations, societies, and associations, including technical and professional societies that operate on- or off-DA installations.

(b) The following provisions do not apply to DA military or civilian personnel participating in POs as individuals, acting outside their official capacity as employees of the Federal Government. Such membership or participation is permissible as long as it complies with laws (including the Hatch Act and the Anti-Lobbying Act) and regulations that prohibit soldiers and civilian employees from engaging in activities inconsistent with their Federal employment. (See AR 600-50.)

#### § 556.32 Limitations.

(a) Participation will be limited to the extent of DOD interest involved.

(b) The favoring of one organization over another will be avoided.

#### § 556.33 Official participation in POs.

(a) The following situations will be avoided:

(1) Unauthorized membership in a PO by the United States or its representatives. (See 24 Comp. Gen. 814; 31 Comp. Gen. 398; 32 Comp. Gen. 15.)

(2) Participation in the management and control of POs, in an official capacity, without congressional authorization.

(3) Participation in the determinations or conclusions of POs so as to suggest compliance by the Government

without subsequent responsible administrative authority or congressional authorization.

(4) If doubt exists as to whether membership of an agency is authorized in a particular PO, the case should be referred to HQDA (DAJA-AL) WASH DC 20310-2212 prior to acceptance of membership.

(b) DA agencies may participate in activities of POs in the discussion of matters of mutual interest, subject to AR 600-50 and otherwise consistent with law, including anti-trust laws and laws relating to national security. An agency representative may vote verbally or in writing on issues presented for a vote, provided it is made clear to the PO that such vote indicates no more than the opinion of that representative. No vote so cast will be considered to bind DA or any DA agency, in any way, to a particular present or future course of action.

(c) DA military and civilian personnel will not accept an honorary office or honorary membership in any trade or professional organization that includes in its membership business entities that are engaged in, or are attempting to engage in, providing goods and services to a component of DOD, including its NAFIs. An honorary office includes any office, whether termed honorary or not, when the selection for that office is on the basis of an official DA position or assignment.

#### § 556.34 Permissive TDY.

Permissive TDY for the attendance of military and civilian personnel at PO meetings will be per AR 1-211.

#### APPENDIX A TO PART 556—REFERENCES

Required Publications. A required publication is a publication which the reader must have in order to understand the publication.

AR 1-211

Attendance of Military and Civilian Personnel at Private Organization Meetings. (Cited in § 556.34.)

AR 37-60

Pricing for Materiel and Services. (Cited in § 556.22(c).)